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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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AND METHOD

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Sir:

A Notice of Appeal was mailed to the Patent Office on March 15, 2006, in connection with the above-captioned application. On April 27, 2006, a Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review was issued advising that prosecution would be reopened and a new Office Action would be mailed. To date we have received no further communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application. Please advise us of the current status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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